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SUBJ: POSTPONEMENT OF FAHMI VISIT TO MOSCOW SEEN AS PERSONAL REBUFF

ARAB NEWS AGENCY ITEM PUBLISHED HERE JULY 17, CITING
"WELL-INFORMED EGYPTIAN SOURCE," CONTENDS THAT PRES
SADAT'S RESISTING STRONG PRESSURE FROM SOME HIS CLOSEST
COLLEAGUES TO REACT IN KIND TO SOVIET "AFFRONT" IN
POSTPONING PREVIOUSLY-SCHEDULED FAHMI VISIT TO MOSCOW.
SADAT SAID TO BE TAKING MORE RELAXED VIEW BECAUSE HE
REPORTEDLY HAS INFO THAT SOVIET ACTION DIRECTED NOT
AGAINST EGYPT OR SADAT BUT AGAINST FONMIN FAHMI
PERSONALLY. ACCORDING TO ANA, SADAT CONTINUES BELIEVE
SOVS DO NOT WISH PUSH RELATIONS TO BREAKING POINT AND ARE
STILL HOPING TURN "NEW LEAF" IN BILATERAL RELATIONS.
HOWEVER, SOVS REPORTEDLY CONSIDER FAHMI A NO-GOODNIK
BECAUSE HE TOO PRO-WESTERN, ARCHITECT OF U S-EGYPTIAN
RAPPROACHMENT, AND ARRANGER OF NIXON VISIT, AS WELL
AS PERSONAL FRIEND OF KISSINGER FROM PERIOD WHEN BOTH
WERE AT HARVARD. ANA SOURCE BELIEVES SOVS CLEARLY
SIGNALLED OPPOSITION TO FAHMI BY INVITING MARSHAL
AHMED ISMAIL TO MOSCOW WITHIN 24 HOURS OF POSTPONING
FAHMI MISSION.

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